2005-06 CALIFORNIA AMERICORPS PROGRAMS MATCHING FUNDS REQUIREMENTS

AmeriCorps budgets are calculated by determining the number of full-time equivalent (FTE) members and multiplying it by the program's cost per FTE. The California Service Corps limits grantee requests per FTE to \$15,675.

For example, if a program engages 20 FTE members at a cost per FTE of \$12,500, the total budget request from the Corporation for National and Community Service would be \$250,000. The \$250,000 would be spent in Sections I-III of the budget using the guidelines below.

SECTION I: PROGRAM OPERATING COSTS

Allowable Expenses	Federal Share	Grantee Share
Staff Salaries and Benefits		
Travel – Staff and Members		At least 33 percent of costs in
Equipment, Supplies and	Up to 67 percent of costs in	these sections. May be met
Consultants	these sections, not to exceed	through cash or in-kind
Training – Staff and Members	maximum cost per FTE limits.	contributions. Funds can
Evaluation		come from a number of
Other (includes GO SERV –		sources, including federal.
sponsored meetings)		

SECTION II: MEMBER COSTS*

Per full-time equivalent AmeriCorps member, match requirements for Member Costs are as follows:

Allowable Expenses	Minimum	Federal Share –	Grantee Share** -
	Requirement	85 percent	15 percent
Living Allowance	\$10,600	\$9,010	\$1,590
FICA	\$811	\$689	\$122
Worker's Compensation	Varies program to program		
Health Insurance	\$1,308	\$1,112	\$196
Total per FTE	\$12,719	\$10,811	\$1,908

^{*}Does not include other member benefits provided directly by the Corporation – child care (for eligible members), student loan forbearance, and education awards

SECTION III: ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS*

Method	Federal Share	Grantee Share	
Fixed Percentage Method	5 percent of (sum of federal	Not to exceed 10 percent of	
	Sections I and II * 0.0526)	the sum of federal and	
		grantees shares for Sections I	
		and II.	
Federally Approved	Applicable only to organizations with a federally approved		
Indirect Cost Method	indirect cost rate (IDC). See Budget Instructions for details.		

^{*}Applicants can choose either the Fixed Percentage method or the Federally Approved Indirect Cost Rate method.

^{**}Must be met through non-federal cash resources